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Member Owned Glider Assists in ELT Search

By Captain Jay Craswell

Mission # 02M1325 is interesting to note for it included operation of a Glider. Some of you are probably scratching your heads. A Glider?

Major Stan Kegel alerted Capt Jay Craswell (130th Squadron) to an ELT mission. AFRCC had reported no hits over the last hour but strong ones preceding it in the Red Wing or possibly Stanton Areas.

While still getting his initial brief over the phone Capt Craswell asked to make a quick check.

Calling Capt Mike Wiley on a 2 Meter "Ham" frequency he (as W0VNE) asked, "Hi Mike, can you dial up 121.5 MHz (The ELT frequency) and tell us if you hear anything? Capt Wiley was, as that moment soaring in his personally owned Glider. In seconds he was able to report back. "No signal Jay, However we did have a false alarm that was found and shut off around Noon.

It was an RV (Homebuilt Aircraft) that made a bumpy landing." An Aircrew from Owatonna also participated in the mission to double check the reported Red Wing SARSAT hits but heard nothing. Following this the mission was concluded.

By the way for those scanner buffs or Ham Radio Ops Captain Wiley can be found most weekends at around 5,000 ft AGL above the Stanton Airfield. He is also an active Ham Radio operator and you can hear him as WA1GWE Air Mobile on the 146.88 Repeater.



Capt Wiley of the 130th tends to his glider.



C/Amn Ryan Haas (130th) & Capt Mike Wiley (130th)



"Hams" Duane N0KZP and Capt Wiley WA1GWE in Capt Wiley's privately owned glider and "Radio Shack"

CADET PROMOTIONS

Viking Squadron

C/MSgt Greg Matson
C/AMN Kelly Collins

Fort Snelling Squadron

C/SMSgt Jimmy McCarthy
C/SrA Brady Dalton
C/A1C Tony Bell to C/A1C
C/A1C Amanda Danielson
C/A1C Ryan Grosland

Red Wing Squadron

C/A1C Alex Fisher
C/TSgt Adam Carlstrom
C/A1C Paul Austin

Viking Composite Squadron Selects Members of the year

1st Lt Alan Matson

EDEN PRAIRIE, MINN. — Maj. Shannon Bauer, Viking Composite Squadron commander, presented its member of the year awards to several Vikings during the unit's annual awards ceremony, held at the Richfield American Legion, Post 435, in June.

Capt. Joan Kistner, the squadron's medical and senior aerospace education officer, received the 2002 senior member of the year award. Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Nate Dorr, the squadron's cadet tango flight commander, was awarded the 2002 cadet noncommissioned officer of the year award. Cadet Airman 1st Class Steve Erickson was presented the 2002 cadet airman of the year award. and Mrs. Gretchen Dorr, a Cadet Sponsor Member, received the 2002 parent of the year recognition.

Certificates of appreciation were also presented to Minnesota Wing Public Affairs Officer, 1st Lt. Al Pabon, and Minnesota Wing Communications Officer, Maj. Wayne Sherman, for their support to Viking Squadron throughout the past 12 months. Maj. Steve Miller of Minnesota Wing accepted Sherman's award for him.

CAP Supports Disaster Relief efforts in Northwest Minnesota

1st Lt Alan Matson

SAINT PAUL, MINN. — Lt. Col. James Schlick, St. Cloud resident and St. Cloud Squadron Civil Air Patrol member voluntarily provided the Norman County Sheriff with air surveillance support during the recent floods in northwestern Minnesota.

The Norman County Sheriff requested air surveillance support from Civil Air Patrol Monday, and St. Cloud Squadron responded with an aircraft and crew under the direction of Lt Col Schlick. The pilot for this mission was 1st Lt Lloyd Johnston, who flew two officials from the county in order to assess flood damage.

While the Aerial Surveys were progressing, fifteen Northland Composite Squadron Civil Air Patrol members from Bemidji, MN., voluntarily deployed Monday to Bagley, MN, in support of flood fighting efforts in northwestern Minnesota.

These Civil Air Patrol members filled around 1,000 sandbags for use in fighting the floodwaters. As the water began to recede, the CAP members returned home late Tuesday with a big thanks from Clearwater County Sheriff Dennis Tramdem and the residents of Bagley.

Sheriff Tramdem reported that these individuals were very helpful in assisting with sandbagging efforts.

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Cadet Nathan Gagne accepts Cadet Command of the Duluth Squadron from Cadet Christina Dalbec. Presiding is 1st Lt Brian Freseman, Squadron Deputy Commander for Cadets.

DULUTH COMPOSITE SQUADRON CHANGE CADET COMMANDERS

Lt Col Keith Bischoff

On May 23, 2002 a Cadet Commander Change of Command ceremony was held at the Duluth Composite Squadron, Duluth International Airport, MN. Cadet MSGT Nathan Gagne replaced Cadet 1st Lt Christina Dalbec after over a year service in the Cadet Command position. Unit Deputy Commander for Cadets, Brian Freseman, conducted the impressive ceremony followed by refreshments for the 30 members, friends and guests attending.

The new Commander joined the Duluth Composite Squadron December 1999 and served on the cadet unit staff, participated in unit search and rescue missions, several color guard performances and attended the 2002 MN Wing Conference, and the 2001 MN Wing Encampment.

Valley Squadron Changes Cadet Command

C/1st Lt CJ Anthony

On Thursday June 6th, Valley Cadet Squadron held their annual Change of Command ceremony at Burnsville City Hall.

The evening brought to close C/Maj. Aaron Scicluna's tenure as Cadet Commander, and under his leadership, Valley Squadron received the Squadron of Merit award.

C/Capt. Dan Nordin assumed command of the squadron with goals to continue the legacy that Scicluna left behind, and to receive Unit Citation at Wing Conference in 2003. Wing Vice Commander, Lt. Col David Skaar also presented him with the Earhart Award.

Chaplain Thomas Boyer presented 1st Lt Lisa Craig with her Moral Leadership Officer certification, and Chaplain (Capt) Don Stier received recognition as Minnesota Wing Chaplain of the Year.



After the Change of Command. Pictured: Cadet Dan Nordin, Incoming Cadet CC, Cadet Aaron Scicluna, Outgoing Cadet CC, Cadet Adam Harkelrode and Capt Charlotte Miller, Valley Squadron Commander

The evening also recognized eight graduating seniors in high school who will be leaving the squadron after many years of service to pursue their college career. They are: C/1st Lt C.J. Anthony, C/Capt Kevin DeVeau, C/2d Lt Jeff Hagen, C/SMSGT Adam Harklerode, C/Maj Mike Nordin, C/2d Lt Chris Reichert, C/Maj Aaron Scicluna, and C/Capt Nolan Teel.

DULUTH PARENT SUPPORTS CAP

Lt Col Keith Bischoff

Cadet Airman Samuel Bruely joined the Duluth Composite Squadron, CAP in October 2001. He is very active attending meetings and the April MN Wing Conference at Breezy Point, MN and will be attending the June MN Wing Cadet Encampment at Grand Forks, AFB, ND

His father, Michael Bruely, supported him fully in attending meetings. He wanted to do something different to show support for the local unit and to increase the community awareness of the CAP unit in Duluth.

Mr. Bruely operates Bruely Racing at the Proctor, MN racetrack. He placed the name Duluth Composite Squadron CAP on the car. He has been racing and winning with it in at the Proctor Speedway.

Michael has also founded the Racing Outreach of the Northland, a ministry at the Proctor Raceway including prayer in the pits, an invocation prior to the National Anthem at the beginning of the race.



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Bruely Racing's # 56, Duluth Composite Squadron Race Car.

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Lt Col Gary Renick

On Saturday, 8 June 2002, the Minnesota Wing of the Civil Air Patrol conducted a statewide "search and rescue" training exercise at the St. Cloud Regional Airport. The exercise was declared a success with a variety of training scenarios and broad participation. Forty-five CAP members participated - representing 14 units throughout Minnesota Wing, plus 1 unit from Iowa Wing.

The Incident Commander, Lt Col Gary Renick, reported that seven CAP aircraft, three member-owned aircraft, three CAP vehicles and seven member-owned vehicles engaged in the training. Thirty-one air missions were launched along with six ground missions.

Many CAP members were able to complete at several training requirements towards qualification or proficiency in a variety of mission roles. A few were also able to be signed off - completing the minimum qualifications (e.g., scanner, mission pilot, Air Branch Director).

The entire day was busy for the crew as well as the mission staff. All but one target was found on the first day. Lt. Col. Renick confidently stated that the remaining target would likely have been found if the exercise was extended beyond the 5:00 pm suspension.

Lt. Col. Renick expressed special thanks to the City of St. Cloud, City of Paynesville and Francis & Beverly Dillenburg for the use of their airports and facilities. Other individuals and companies also assisted by permitting use of their property for additional search target locations.